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It is time for another edition and I want to thank all who sent in class news. If you have articles or other information that might be included in the Record please forward material to me. I edit the Record but it is your newsmagazine. I only print what I get from you, the members of the organization. So please remember to send in news. You can either use snail mail or the information superhighway to get it to me. So send it, fax it, or e-mail it! Just remember that there are printing deadlines and your news must reach me by the dates listed in order to guarantee inclusion in that edition of the Record.

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Linda Lass Orrell

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News Notes

April CEU Program a great success: The third annual program was a great success with over 80 attending. Many thanks to the IHP for furnishing the morning coffee and the Department of Nursing for the parking coupons. The Alumnae gave coupons for lunch in the MGH cafeteria (which has been nationally recognized for its food and service!). Hope to see many of you in September at the next CEU program or at least next year for the fourth annual event.

MGH NAA Class Representatives:

We are trying to update our list of Class Representatives. Can you help us? Would you please notify the office if you are or would like to represent your class. Class Reps will help locate missing classmates, gather class news for the **Record**, and work with the Capital Campaign Committee.

A new rep has been found for the class of September 1965: Flora (Trudy) McDougall McLaughlin, 491 Mount Blue Street, Norwell, MA 02061.
Thank you in advance for your cooperation, Margery Eramo and Carolyn Thayer.

IHP 25th Anniversary and formal building dedication:

The IHP is turning 25 and there will be a celebration as well as a dedication of the Catherine Filene Shouse Building, the new and permanent home of the IHP. The theme for the event will be: "Celebrating, Teaching, Learning, and Research Milestones" and the activities include speakers and a picnic lunch at the park next to the building. The Alumnae is pleased to be included. The dedication of the building for the IHP has been a long time dream that is now a

reality. The Alumnae contributed to the building with donations for both the new and expanded Ruth Sleeper Learning Center and the exhibit of the history in the lobby of the building.

Worcester County MGH Club:

The Worcester County MGH Club turns 60! From all of the history that we can find this is the oldest organized group that has consistently met at least once or twice a year. It was founded in 1942 by Hazel Walker Whitmarsh class of 1924. In 1994 a brief history was compiled of bits and pieces of information gathered from Hazel Whitmarsh and Adelaide De Long Dea class of 1918 one of the charter members by Muriel Settle Pollock class of 1942. Long standing members then checked the facts and the following account (as accurate as possible under the circumstances) was written:

"The reason for the history at this time is that our scrapbook and other material from the past appears to have been misplaced, and we do want a record of this club, especially now, with the closing of the School of Nursing.

It all started when Adelaide Dea was a patient at Memorial Hospital in Worcester, MA. Hazel Walker was a supervisor, Sylvia Fay Gagnon (1917) was in OPD and Abigail Norris (1934) was in the OR. Hazel decided to get in touch with these people and invited them to a 'bandana picnic'. Hazel was to bring the dessert which turned out to be watermelon. This first meeting, according to Hazel was in the fall of 1942 at Greenhill Park in Worcester. Evidently there were some good cooks in the group as they had more food than they could eat. Hazel had brought her Gray Book (directory) and this was used to get additional names and addresses. Eleanor Fowle Clark (1918) was willing to act as secretary and Adelaide Dea was Hazel's main support.

The next meeting was held in the spring of 1943 at Adelaide DeLong Dea's house in Holden. It was planned for outdoors, but the weather did not cooperate – it snowed, so they moved it indoors around the fireplace.

Another of the early meetings was held at the home of Madeline Hamel Hoelsch (1944) where the members were treated to TV for the first time. At this meeting a guest was Margaret Dieter who wrote the MGH Song.

Other meetings were held in the apartment of Erna Kuhn (1914), director of nurses at Worcester Hahnemann Hospital, and in North Brookfield at the home of Georgiana Chase (1906) where there was enough food to feed an army and only five showed up. This was in 1947. Four of the five were Annette Heinzle Desmarais (1944), Frances Tomasunas Kay (1941) and of course, the hostess Georgianna Chase.

Another name I remember from the past was Laura Currier Morrison (1915). There are probably names that I left out, certainly unintentially.
This brings things up to date with the minutes that start in June 1951. The group had grown large enough that they felt they ought to meet in restaurants twice a year. At that time they were held in June and September. These times have been changed to May and October to avoid conflict with school activities.

The meetings have been mostly social gatherings. There have been speakers on occasion: Sylvia Perkins, Mary MacDonald, Catherine Philbin, who showed us the hats she made, Dr

Neumann and recently Marjorie Paulson told about her day with the VNA of Westboro. As money from dues has accumulated over the years we have sent donations to the MGH Nurses home building fund, to current projects relating to nurses, gifts to the bazaar, to the Sally Johnson Scholarship Fund, MGH Nurses Alumnae General Fund, and to the Winchell School in memory of Miss Kuhn's sister.

The MGH Club has had its ups and downs. As of November 1994 it has been in existence for 52 years, this alone is something to be proud of. There should be many more good years ahead.

Editors note:
The group is still alive and well and meets twice a year in May and October at O'Connors Restaurant in Worcester. The contact person currently is Janet MacMillan, 110 Elmwood St, Auburn, MA 01501.

A Thought to all of you across the globe:

Why not get a club together in your area? Remember it only takes two or more to make a group and there are pockets of MGH grads in most geographic areas. If you are interested in starting an MGH Club in your area, contact the Alumnae Office. The office can help with contacting folks in your area and getting the word out about your initial meeting. Use the Worcester MGH Club as an example of what can be done. Join together with other MGH grads to socialize (read reminisce). If you have a group going already let the office know.

A special note:

Alice Yancy Conlon class of 1941 died on March 18, 2002. From 1976 to 1985 she was the editor of the **Quarterly Record**. Over all of those years she edited, proofread, and got four editions a year to the printer so that we all could have the news of the school and classmates. When she retired from the editor position in 1985 she was missed by those on the Board who always could count on her to have each edition ready and out on time.

And as we reported in the last issue of *Beyond the Cap*, Sylvia Perkins died on November 18, 2002 at the age of 96. If you haven't read the wonderful **Centenial Review** that she wrote for the Alumnae Association for the Centenial, you should get a copy and read it.

Another Note:

We received a note from Marilyn Prouty class of 56:

Katherine Hardeman died this past April at the age of 95. She was a graduate of the Columbia University Nursing Program. Prior to joining the faculty of the MGH School of Nursing she did missionary work in India and Pakistan. She was noted for her graciousness. Since her retirement she had lived with her sister in Florida

In Memoriam

1921 Bertha Blaisdell Quimby, November 27, 2001.
1922 Carolyn S. Reed, November 10, 2001.
1927 Ethel Clow Dye Black, March 27, 2002.
1928 Veda Lohnes Newell, November 11, 2001.
1928 Sylvia Perkins, November 18, 2001.
1930 Susan Matheson Janes, 2002.
1930 Margaret Meehan, March 2001.
1932 Hazel Dahlborg Abrahamson.
1934 Caroline Smith.
1934 Evelyn Johnson Parker, January 17, 2002.
1935 Penelope Karr Hope, September 10, 2001.
1935 Tirzoh Bagdikian Juskalian.
1935 Sarah McCullough Zilg, January 17, 2002.
1936 Christine W. Stone Suhr Harris, October 20, 2001.
1939 Marcella "Marcia" Duoba, December 1, 2001.
1940 Dr Olga Andruskie, January 11, 2002.
1940 Josephine Mangio Keaveneym May 29, 2001.
1941 Alice Yancey Conlon, March 18, 2002.
1941 Helen Walsh Duquette, October 29, 2002.
1944 Patricia Bachelder Crowley, December 25, 2001.
1945 Gertrude Murphy McCormack, March 3, 2001.
1946 Virginia Rounds Freeman, February 1, 2002.
1947 Elizabeth Halstead Rivers, November 13, 2001.
1947 Adelaide Plumstead Dillon, August 1, 2001.
1947 Janet I. Johnston Phelps, January 9, 2002.
1947 Mary Therese Gardner Simrock, January 10, 2002.
1948 Evelyn Cobb Spooner, January 16, 2002.
1950 Constance Harrison, June 20, 2001.
1951 Mary Susan Adams Waterman, October 30, 2001.
1952 Mary Ellen Lupien Lapierre.
1959 Judith Freeman Costa, August 8, 2001.
1960 Marilyn Roy McGowan, April 2, 2001.
1965 Marcia Driscoll Oliver, December 19, 2002.
1971 Betty Jane Cassidy Evans, November 2001.
1972 Marcia "Marci" Roberts Christensen, November 11, 2001.
1979 Frederick Philip Begen, January 25, 2002.

Scholarship and Loan Fund Information

To assist any Alumnae Members who might want to apply for the Loan or Scholarship Funds the applications for both are included at the end of this edition. Additional applications are available from the Alumnae Office.

Do You Own The Set?

A CENTENNIAL REVIEW 1873-1973

THE MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL SCHOOL OF NURSING

BY
Sylvia Perkins

Available for $10 per copy

The Next Twenty-Five Years 1973- 1998

By
Karen Wolf

Available for $15.00 per copy

Both Books can be purchased as a set for $25 per set.

An Alumnae Tribute

A history of the MGH Nurses' Alumnae Association
And Summary of the 125th Celebration - 1999

By
Linda Lass-Schuhmacher

Available for $15.00 per copy

All three books can be purchased from the Alumnae Office.
Please add $6.00 shipping and handling to each order.

IHP Corner

MGH IHP UPDATE
Arlene Lowenstein PhD, RN
MGH School of Nursing Endowment
May 15, 2002

Students – We currently have 200 students in the Nursing Program. Our NCLEX pass rate was 96% for first time takers this year. Those very few who did not pass will retake and students have been successful on the second try. Our graduates also score well above the national average on advanced practice NP certification exams, with a 94% pass rate. Since entry-level students do not have summer classes, most work full time as RNs, and we have had 25 working at MGH this year. Many continue to work part time during their last year in school. Therefore, when they graduate they have over a year's experience as a registered nurse, but they are new to practicing as a nurse practitioner. Entry-level students in the summer between the first and second year often work as patient care assistants, and most are working at MGH. There are 46 entry-level students in the new first year class. As usual they bring a wide variety of valuable life and educational experiences to share with each other, their patients and faculty. There are 74 deposits for September entry-level admissions, and additional RNs coming into the program.

Faculty – I had expected to retire from my position as Program Director this year, but the search has been extended and I will be staying on until the search is complete. A search firm has been hired. The search consultant working with us is Dr. Billye Brown, former Dean of Nursing at the University of Texas. She is highly respected in the nursing profession and is a former President of Sigma Theta Tau, Nursing's honor society. Dr. Brown served as an accreditation visitor for our recent successful New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) accreditation. Because of this visit, she is familiar with our school, and has complimented us on a very high quality educational program.

Our faculty has been very productive. Seven faculty members and four students contributed chapters and examples for my book on Innovative Teaching Strategies in Nursing, which was published this year. Dr. Inge Corless completed a book on a history of hospice care, and faculty have a strong record of published journal articles. Four faculty are working with a project, currently in grant review with the National Institute of Nursing Research, that will educate Nurse Practitioners to assess elderly patients for signs of dysphagia, or difficulty swallowing, and to refer or plan care to address this major problem that often causes malnutrition, aspiration and pneumonia. The program is unique in that we will be following up with the nurse practitioners through once a month on-line case conferences. Two articles about Dysphagia Assessment in the Elderly have been published. Faculty has been working with Domestic Violence issues and research on spirituality and health. Faculty have been active in international health care and nursing education efforts and traveled to China, England and South Africa. Four faculty members are completing doctoral study, two of those through a distance-learning program. By going through that type of program they have been very helpful in assisting us to set up our distance learning efforts.

Programs – We have begun a graduate level certificate program in HIV/AIDS that is being offered through distance learning. This is our first foray into that educational milieu, and we are working with Pat Sparks, the Institute's Director of Distance Learning and Continuing Education, to develop other areas appropriate to distance education. We will be presenting some of science summer prerequisites for entry-level students in distance learning, and a

distance-learning course in advanced psychopharmacology is also being taught this summer. Faculty will be undergoing a faculty development day in June to learn more about these teaching techniques.

Our newest specialty programs in Psych/Mental Health and Acute Care are in operation and going well. We have embarked on a planning process to institute an RN to MSN program for diploma and associate degree nurses, which has been approved by the IHP faculty, and is in the final approval stage. We also worked in collaboration with MGH to develop and implement a course in critical care for their newly hired graduates The course does not carry academic credit. The first class has graduated and they are now working in the ICUs. Evaluations of students, preceptors and hospital staff were excellent. The second class is currently in operation.

We are very excited about the move into our new building in the Charlestown Navy Yard on the waterfront. We have settled in well and now have a campus setting. The building has two nursing labs and state of the art classrooms to help us take advantage of the technological revolution, but at the same time maintaining our focus on providing excellent and personalized nursing care for our patients and their families.

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MGH Nurses' Alumnae Association

Student Paper Award

The MGHNAA is accepting submissions from the students of the MGHIHP Graduate Program in Nursing for the Student Paper Award. The awards will be made in October and May annually. Deadline for submission is October 10 and May 10 each year. The purpose of this award is to provide a mechanism by which to recognize outstanding students for creative and innovative writing skills in defining what nursing is to them or a topic of current interest in nursing. The winning paper will be recognized as follows:

- A $750 cash award
- The paper will be published in the **Alumnae Record**

Eligibility and Requirements:
This award is open to all **students** of the MGHIHP Graduate Program in Nursing at the time of submission deadline.

The paper must be submitted in electronic form for publication (word or rich text format) to Lindaorrell@aol.com and to MGHNAA@aol.com by October 10 for the fall award and by May 10 for the spring award. The paper should not exceed 10 pages including references, tables, and figures. Include your name, email address, mailing address, and phone number with the submission.

Review Criteria:
The Communications and Publications Committee of the MGHNAA will review papers and decisions will be up to the discretion of the committee. The decisions will focus on the ideas presented, writing style, and the general interest of the topic to the members of the Alumnae Association.

Notification:
All submissions will be notified by email when the submission is received and the winning award recipient will be notified by email and in written form within two weeks after the submission deadline.

MGH Nursing Update

by Jeanette Ives Erickson, RN, MS
Sr. Vice President for Patient Care and Chief Nurse

It's my pleasure to share two new initiatives with you. The first is the introduction of the Clinical Recognition Program, a new program for professional clinical staff in Patient Care Services. The program was developed in response to clinicians' requests, through staff forums and the annual Staff Perceptions of the Professional Practice Environment Survey, to create a mechanism to more formally acknowledge and reward the professional practice of clinicians. The Clinical Recognition Program does that and more. Through the program, clinicians in six disciplines – Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Respiratory Therapy, Social Work, and Speech-Language Pathology—can evaluate and seek recognition for their clinical practice. They can also draw on the program's resources and use them as a guide for continued professional development.

The Clinical Recognition Program reflects the work of many people in Patient Care Services. More than two years ago, I charged the Professional Development Committee, a committee within the collaborative governance structure of Patient Care Services, to define a framework for a professional recognition program. The committee researched the field of skill acquisition and, in particular, studied the work of Drs. Hubert and Stuart Dreyfus and Dr. Patricia Benner. They also met with groups of MGH clinicians and examined narratives – stories of clinical practice – written by MGH staff.

Through the committee's work, a picture of clinical practice at MGH began to emerge and laid the groundwork for the Clinical Recognition Program. The development process has helped us ensure that the program we are launching is not only grounded in a solid theoretical framework, but, perhaps even more importantly, is also based on the real life experiences of MGH clinicians.

The program asks applicants to analyze their practice as it relates to the following critical themes:

- Clinician-patient relationship
- Clinical knowledge and decision-making
- Teamwork and collaboration
- Movement (for Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy only).

Clinicians in all disciplines incorporate these themes as they deliver care. As they gain knowledge and integrate their clinical experiences, the way in which they practice within and across each theme evolves and matures.

The Clinical Recognition Program describes criteria within each them that define four levels of clinical practice:

- Entry-level clinician
- Clinician
- Advanced clinician
- Clinical scholar

I am pleased to note that the review of the initial set of portfolios is currently underway. It is my hope that the Clinical Recognition program will become a primary vehicle for fostering and celebrating excellence in practice.

The other initiative I'd like to highlight is MGH Nursing's new image campaign. In recent months, we've been working with our advertising agency to create an image campaign that differentiates MGH Nursing from other nursing departments. The creative process for this effort began with a dialogue with the Staff Nurse Advisory Committee (another collaborative governance committee), which is comprised of a staff nurse representative from every unit and practice area at MGH. They shared why they worked at MGH – what drew them here, and, more importantly, what keeps them here. From this informative discussion, the premise of the campaign emerged – "I Chose MGH." The new ads will articulate through quotes why nurses "choose" MGH. In addition, a new tag-line was adopted – *MGH Nursing. Simply the Best.* Look for our new ads in a variety of venues – the Boston Globe, Nursing Spectrum, and On-Call Magazine, to name a few. In addition, MGH nursing will be a presence this summer at the Sagamore Bridge through a mobile billboard in the parking lot of the Christmas Tree Shop.

I look forward to updating you on the progress of both of these initiatives, and others, at your Fall Homecoming event. Have a wonderful summer.

Homecoming 2002

Homecoming this year will be at the Radisson Hotel Boston Hotel. The Alumnae has reserved a block of rooms at a reduced rate. In order to get this rate you must book your space before August 20th directly through the hotel. Call 617 482 1800 or 800 333 3333 to reserve space. Remember the Alumnae is also presenting a CE program on the Friday before Homecoming which is a full day program. The group name is the MGH Nurses Alumnae Association. Remember space in the fall in Boston is very limited so book your room today.

At the end of this publication you will find the agenda for both days.

Reserve your space today!!!

Class News

1927

Esther L Martinson from the class of 1925 currently resides at the Scandinavian Living Center in Newton Mass. She is 99 years old and worked as a nurse throughout her life until her retirement in the early 1970's. Her work included 30 years as Director of Public Health Nursing for the State of Vermont. A recent book on the history of Vermont nursing contains a section on Esther's contributions to the state.

Communications may be sent to Esther Martinson, Room 204 Scandinavian Living Center 206 Waltham St., West Newton, Mass 02465 or to Laura A Cawthon, 3205 Werner Ch. Rd, North Canton, OH 44721 (Esther's grand niece).

1933

Grace Steward announced that her daughter, Betsy, is the assistant chairbear and helps her mom in keeping the bears going out to the Raleigh Police and Fire Departments as well as to the Six Forks Rescue Squad. These organizations use the bears when dealing with children. This is Grace's contribution to community wellness these days.

1937

Muriel Simson MacAfee is a first time great grandmother. February 2002 and this was the first girl in the family!

1940 February Section

In a note from Mary Gilmore Helming:

When I received the Fall/Winter 2001 copy of the **Alumnae Record** I noticed that the death of my classmate Josephine Mangio Keaveney was not listed.

Her son had informed me that she died peacefully on May 29, 2001. Jo was our class President and Representative to the Alumnae Association. She retired some years ago from her position at the Pondville School of Practical Nursing.

We were always grateful for her enthusiasm for nursing and devotion to the nursing profession.

1948

Please be advised that Evelyn COBB Spooner '48 passed away on Wednesday, January 16, 2002 of emphysema. She is survived by her three children and four grandchildren. A service was held at the John Laurence Funeral Home in Marstons Mills, MA and internment was in Moss Cemetery in Barnstable, Ma, where she had resided for many years. Her death came after a period of failing health. She celebrated her 75th birthday at a surprise birthday celebration this summer, at which myself and Kay DEE Horgan '48 attended.

Katherine O'CONNOR Holt

1949

Mary L. Morris
449 Franklin Street
Reading MA 01867

I want to thank everyone for their love and support when Paul passed away in September. I can't even begin to tell you how much it meant. Good friends are truly a gift to be treasured. Thank you one and all.

Jackie Auger Brown is wonderful about keeping in touch. She is well and had a lonely Christmas holiday with her daughter and grandchildren.

Ruth Stronach Henshaw celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Ruth's cousins in Nova Scotia hosted a wonderful celebration that she and Bob will always remember.

Congratulations to Trudy Walsh Hynes and Warren on their 50th anniversary. They celebrated with a luncheon given by their children and a three week Elderhostel, visiting three major cities; London, Dublin and Edinburgh. They had a wonderful time.

Ruth Postler Parlon wrote and included a wonderful picture of her family, three children with spouses and grand children. She keeps busy volunteering and doing Oragami.

Elsie Bakster Beecher writes that she fell and broke her wrist but it is healing nicely. Fred is fine and busy caring for fruit tees etc.

Jean Lutz Perkins continues to volunteer as Bootsie the Clown and also volunteers with the League of Women Voters, bridge, family etc.

Kitty Brennan still sees a few patients each day but hasn't had an opportunity to contact Blanche "Cou" Couillard despite living in the same city.

Marge Wescott Landrum and Bob vacationed in South Dakota Badlands and liked it well enough to live there. They hope to visit Boston in the spring.

Peggy Fraser Binder spent some time this summer in Essex but wasn't able to contact anyone. Peggy, Ruth Henshaw and Trudy and her husband met at the Viercaya Deering Estate in Miami when Trudy and her husband visited there and had a mini "MGH reunion".

Crene Wieslinger Sevon wrote that all is well. She spent the summer in Vermont and babysits the rest of the year. Grandchildren are 4 and 7 – "keeps me young".

All is well with Ruth Tillson Lowell. Lyn Poulter Ratcliff came to lunch after Christmas. I spoke with her a while ago when she was visiting her daughter in Belmont, unfortunately we weren't able to get together. Ruth and Howie hope to have the summer home in NH and fairly soon plan to spend the summers there.

I sent a card to Ruth Stillman Fernandez at her Newton address however it was returned. If ou could send me your address Ruth or if someone knows where she now lives I would appreciate hearing from you.

Dorothy Johnson McCann now lives at 60 Collins Rd, Scituate, MA 02060 and Ruth Postler Parlon is at 1142 Marina Dr, Napa, CA 94559, telephone 707 252 3809.

Have a wonderful summer and please keep in touch.

February 1949

Barbara J. Manoni
73 Robeth Lane
Wethersfield, CT 06109-3552
Tel (860)529-3152Dear Classmates,

Such a long time since we were actually that! But I remember each and every one of you as I hope you do. We had such a small class it was possible!

We are spread over the four ends of our country - but we in the NE had a very mild unusual winter through early spring- Now it is normal weather for this time of year and truly beautiful. I enjoy my gardening and yard work.

I haven't had much correspondence since Christmas - of course we all have birthdays in the fall or early winter due to being in the February class, so no cards since then-

Podee sent me a Valentine and added that no news is good news and they are both busy and well and are expecting Harvey and family from Colorado for ten days.

From Shirley Keller - she and Dick are very busy with Church activities including preparing for an annual fair with white elephant sales, crafts and hundreds of cookies for the Cooky Walk! Then they have the grand children to visit and their events to attend, they also make time to take some widowed ladies out to lunch regularly and attend their local playhouse. They enjoy their yard and gardens (they dry flowers too) and feeding birds and other wild life. They must have a vegetable garden because they freeze some and can tomatoes. Shirley mentions a few extra Doctor's visits, but nothing major -
just a decrease in energy (doesn't sound like it!) - I have that affliction also!
Clara keeps in touch regularly. She and Charlie are well - their house still resounds with activities of teenage grandchildren - they enjoyed their annual trip to California to visit family.

Clara and I settled on Wed. June 5 for our annual luncheon with Nancy Sanella, Dot Iwanicki, possibly Podee and Dot Flaherty, who will be just returning from a visit to son Brian in

Colorado. This year we are going to the "Whistling Swan" in Sturbridge MA. at 11:30. We always have a nice visit and lots of laughs.

Barbie and I telephone each other and all is well in Maine - She had some major repairs done to her house. Her daughters and Don visit during the year. She seems in good health but can't gain weight!! I wish I lived nearer.

Betty Bridges sent me birthday and Christmas cards and mentions also a low energy level - can't imagine Betty slowing down! However, even with persistence she has been discouraged with computer use! Like me, she still writes most letters! Family is all well.

Lois Feeny announced a new great grand daughter who is beautiful. She and Larry have one granddaughter's college graduation this month and another grand daughter's wedding coming up. Lois has arthritis in her lower back and hips which hampers her walking and slows her down - otherwise both are fine. Note her Zip code change to 60074-5547.

Jane and Fred Seeling keep very busy in Nebraska with family visits to son Paul in Omaha while they both were having chelation treatments on a regular basis. Fred suffers from Raynaud's Syndrome and both have allergies. The treatments seemed beneficial but very expensive. They were present at the baptisms of two grandchildren in Omaha and Indiana. They also visited Debbie and family in Indiana and went to So. Carolina to pickup Paul's daughter from college. Thanksgiving was spent in Indiana with all children and grand children. Jane suffered an acute kidney infection in Sept which lasted awhile

I called Peg Bernier and she sounded good but she has to use a walker now - Her husband and family are fine and they are expecting a third grandchild.

Larry and I have been healthy - I had some GI symptoms in February which required an ultra sound and an IVP of the kidneys and a cyptoscopy. The tests disclosed a small inconsequential stone in each kidney but all normal with the rest of the system! - No treatment necessary and the symptoms disappeared.

I was diagnosed with osteo-arthritis in both knees, one mild, - and both shoulder rotator cuffs (no problem there but no tennis) Can't walk very far comfortably and certainly can't run or hurry on stairs but otherwise feel good - I have no bone loss, no osteoporosis (actually - lots of problems I don't have!)

A friend and I went to Boston on a bus trip to the museum for Jackie Onassis' Clothing and memorabilia charity exhibit. Boston was beautiful and there was MGH of course

Last week we went to Ellis Island, a bus outing that had been canceled last Sept. - It was thoroughly enjoyable. I always enjoy stories of the Immigrants, fiction and non-fiction. We had been to the Statue of Liberty years ago - it was closed anyway at this time - Larry is still teaching and doesn't enjoy driving and thinks most travel is a hassle so we enjoy local outings.

We are often inundated with Canada Geese - They look great in flight but make a mess and are very bold - barking dogs intimidate them but they come back. Between them and squirrels which I try to deter from my neat bird feeder I am always chasing something away. We really enjoy the birds and try to identify new ones.

Isn't it exciting to think of a sculpture of an MGH nurse on the grounds of Bulfinch (I hope)! There is a beautiful bronze statue of a Hartford Hospital nurse with their student pin, wing cap and clinic shoes in the Meditation Garden adjoining their front entrance. With my friends in our local nurses group we toured Hartford Hospital's new emergency dept. (huge) and the Hospice Unit last week.

I know I mentioned the "Caring Headlines" from MGH - very interesting updated nursing care and case studies - also "Beyond the Cap" for Alumnae and "Advance for Nurses in New England" - I find them all very good to keep up to date.

My sister Nancy is in China for five weeks, touring at first with her oldest son and then staying with her youngest son at his apartment near Hong Kong at the International School where he teaches . Her e-mail is so interesting but then she was a Chinese History major! I sure miss her!

Well that's about it for now - I would love to hear from the missing but I don't know who gets the Alumnae Record and who doesn't - and some of you just don't respond! Please do it for the fall 2002 issue. Thanks.

1951

Marion Decker Manes
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Hi all!

Judging by all the lovely Christmas greetings from several classmates, everyone's still basking in memories of the reunion. The ones who came to the Cape expressed their gratitude and appreciation for the cute cottages reserved for the week end, clambake, travel arrangements to Boston and back and all-around good time we all had. It was fun to do – hope we can do it again sometime! We only regretted that more classmates couldn't have made the reunion. It was like turning the clock back 50 years!

Mary Sargent Mackin and Ed made the most of their trip East and continued traveling to Maine, then Gettysburg, Tennessee, Shenendoah Valley, Blue Ridge Parkway and home to California.

Ginny Sabin Pierobello sent Christmas greetings with warm memories of the Cape Cod reunion, as did Mary Thistle Chemini, Nat Quirk Meaney, Dodie Stone Bergeron, Shirley Duncan Driscoll, and Joan McCarthy Peterson. We managed to "whoop it up" each night -- at least until 10 PM!

I think I mentioned Olga Sadotti Assen's generous contribution to the weekend. She had sent me her deposit for the cottage, but after September 11, was hesitant to fly, but insisted her total deposit be used toward the reunion, so I applied it to the cost of transportation to and from Boston. She also did an outstanding job of raising $2000 for the class gift to the Ruth Sleeper Scholarship Fund, which was presented at the Homecoming luncheon.

Eleanor Lynch was there, with her niece as a guest. Eleanor has 6 children' 4 in the Service – 2 daughters in the Army, a son in the Air Force and one in the FBI. Also a son-in-law in the Army. She has 8 grandchildren.
Also at the reunion luncheon were: Jo Taylor Blizzard, Hilda Nelson Feneley, Eunice Randall Stolecki, Dottie Gracie Snow, Anne Zaniewski Kutlowski, Joyce Severy Jones, Joan Vaillant Parent, Dorothy Hunt O'Kelly and Alice Adams Southworth.

Marion Kelleher Evans called at Christmas. She was unable to send any cards, since she fell over a hassock while visiting her son at Thanksgiving and broke her shoulder! Hope you're back playing golf, Kel!

Mary Hagerty ford couldn't attend, much to her dismay, due to a previously planned trip to Mobile. They stopped in Beaufort, NC and spent the night with Ginny courant Haywood and new husband Jim. Mary suggested a Florida reunion of all us snowbirds next winter. Any volunteers to organize it? Joan Sumner would come, I'm sure, since she tried to get together with Doris Sears and me, but it never worked out. Maybe next year? Joan lives in Biloxi MI. Might be fun to get together there! Bring quarters!

September 1952

Plans are well underway for our 50th reunion. We have reserved rooms at the Cape Point Hotel in W. Yarmouth for the weekend. Thirty of us will travel on a chartered bus to Boston for Homecoming and return for prime rib or lobster banquet that night. The guys will play golf or whatever while we are gone.Anyone who plans to join us but has not contacted me,needs to do so immediately.

We will donate our class gift monies to the capital fund for the statue honoring the MGH nurse planned for the Bulfinch lawn. Anyone wishing to donate, especially anyone not attending the reunion, should send her check made out to MGHNAA to: Ann(Mac Lean) Plunkett at 12208 St. James Rd. Potomac. MD 20854

We have missing classmates we would love to find. Any clues re whereabouts of the following: Dolores Geeraert Vallerio, Anne Lynch O'Connor, Barbara Oakes Romanos, Florence Oakes Wallace, Patricia Sheridan, Lois Toothill Martin, Rose Turk Tanz, or Mary Ward Mc Caffrey?

We are very excited about our 50th and expect to have a marvelous time!!

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September 1955

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Shirley Kelley Fortson wrote that she has finally stopped working full time but that she is busier than ever now. Her husband had a heart attack in July but is doing quite well now. Shirley went on a cruise to Bermuda with her cousin last October. She said that when she and her husband were in the army they lived in Germany for a long time. Terrorist alerts were a way of life for them there and she refuses to let them keeps her down.

Bunny Codi Raak and Ray celebrated his 70th birthday, their 45th anniversary, and Thanksgiving with a family reunion on Kiawah Island, SC. She is now doing volunteer work for the Carnegie Museum of Natural History and recently took a 9 day trip to the Galapagos Islands which she says was fantastic. The Raaks and the Sullivans have a trip to Sicily planned for October.

Jean O'Leary Leary is still working in her practice. She says most of her work is with elderly nuns in the final stage of their life.

Di Baker St. Jean and a friend motored cross-country last Fall, traveling over 7000 miles and hitting all the tourist spots.

The youngest of Kathy Renehan Gilligan's 3 daughters was married in November in Bermuda. Kathy met with Pat Allen McMillin and Leslie Schuster Ryan in July. Kathy was enthusiastic about Bunny's idea for an Elderhostel trip in conjunction with our 50th. She said they'll travel anywhere.

We have a small group now that has expressed interest in a trip. It will most likely be somewhere in the USA. Please let us know if and where you'd like to go.

September 1956

Sandra Young Brown
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Thank you for your post "Homecoming" notes and Christmas cards. Here are some bits and pieces:

Phyllis Delano Skinner wrote that she and Les have been married 23 years and remain active in their church, Masons, Eastern Star, Grange, Rotary and Antique Auto Club. Phyllis is still with Central Vermont Home Health, driving lots of miles over the Vermont Hills.

Irma MacDougll Giglio states she is still working and can't make the big decision to retire. She and John travel to Florida for the month of February and to Canada for a month in the summer.

Sylvia Churchill Prince wrote in her note that the autumn months seemed to be taken up with changing around all her household furnishings due to some new purchases and she was quite surprised to find Christmas on her doorstep.

Phyllis Sargelis Woodward says she is still adjusting to being "unemployed" but is beginning to enjoy it. She and Bob spent a weekend in the Virginia mountains fly fishing. She caught 14 trout in one day!

Carol Foss Bradford enjoyed a tourist trip around New England with her friends after attending Homecoming.

Fran Taylor Quinn and husband spent two weeks visiting friends and relatives in Pennsylvania and Maryland.

Eileen Post Wilson is looking forward to Spring. She spent a few days with friends at the "Winter Wildlife Week" in Pigeon Forge.

Deborah Hart Lindenlaub had a fantastic 50th high school reunion in Quincy, MA.

Mary York Mallory, Janet DiBona and Charlotte Jones Pfeil all wished me well on my Ireland trip. The trip was great and green. I also developed a liking for Guinness Stout.

M.M. Gunning O'Mara took a trip to Florida and Maryland visiting relatives and friends.

Priscilla and Chuck Randall enjoyed a 45th wedding anniversary trip to Mexico.

Pat Brown Chapman and I correspond regularly. She is enjoying retirement, but like all of us wonders how we ever found time to go to work.

Barbara Doyle Herlihy-Chevalier and I are planning a trip of one overnight to Portland, Maine. It is mostly so I can ride the new Amtrak "Downeaster." The station in Exeter is just a block from my house so we'll trail our little suitcases over and "ride the rails." I'm one of those people who waves to the engineer every time I see a train.

Barbara Krysienel Tannuzzo sent me a news clipping on a book entitled "Gracefully Insane: The Rise and Fall of America's Premier Mental Hospital" written by Alex Beam a columnists for the Boston Globe. Other reviews of the book were in the New York Times Book Review and Yankee Magazine. I'm sure you've all guessed by now – it's about McLean. I bought a copy and it is an entertaining read that provokes many memories. As Barbara said – what a shame the author didn't get some information from the "old student nurses." Is that us?

Joan Runge Creswell 109 Mere Pt Road, Brunswick, ME 04011. She wrote that she and Ezra moved in 1971. They live five miles from the ocean and have five children; the two girls are both in nursing. Much of her nursing career focused on cardiac care and some patient teaching. She took a seven-year break while raising children and stated she felt like a student all over again when she returned to work in 1971. She worked in a community hospital setting until she retired six years ago. She enjoys gardening, books, travel and yoga. She is now trying a new skill as an investment club treasurer. She wrote that her MGH education gave her both professional and personal life tools and she is proud of the MGH Heritage.

That's all the news for now. Let's keep in touch.

Fall 1959

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In March, Phyllis Harvey Smith, Melba Cederholm Armour, Sheila Murphy Cram, Anne Halstead Roth, and Jane Marie Henrick met in Framingham at the home of Carol Harris Wilson for an extended brunch. It was great to renew our friendship and share with each other. In January, Carol was "retired" from Regis College's Student Health Services along with the physician because the college restructured the department. Carol has been having severe knee joint problems and will be having bilateral knee replacement surgery in July at the Baptist Hospital in Boston. She will have intensive rehab and need crutches for several weeks. Her son will be married in Pennsylvania in August and she and Charlie will be there. Carol is enjoying the genealogy research on her and Charlie's families. She has acquired many priceless pictures of Charlie's family and an extensive genealogy of the Harris family done by her uncle.

Phyllis and David live in Amherst, MA. She has worked as a nurse parctioner in an OB-GYN practice in her area for 25+ years and plans to retire in a year. Her grandson continues to vacation with her each summer. During the school year he lives in the San Diego area with his parents. Her daughter and her family have returned to the Boston area and their relationships continue to flourish.

Melba is a grandmother and is enjoying every second of being a grandparent. She and Dana are both retired now. Melba worked for years as an IV nurse and was one of the original groups to receive national certification. She misses the hands on, making a difference in a patient's life and good outcome contact, but is glad to be free of the healthcare beauracracy.

Ann Halstead Roth is selling her home in Conway, NH and will be living in North Fort Meyers, FL. She has many wonderful tales to tell of her work in nursing administration. Anne still has a marvelous way of telling a story. She enjoys her role as a grandparent and is about to have a new grandchild. Anne's health is stable.

Sheila has retired from her many years at Newton Wellsley Hospital. She began and developed the area of Infection Control and was among the first in the country working in this area of nursing. She lives in Natick and enjoys playing golf. Every day Sheila works out and is staying fit.

I continue to work in the insurance industry with a company under contract with Mass Heath that covers the Medicaid population. My work is based at Boston Medical Center covering the OB and Newborn Units. I visit each of the new mothers to assure she is aware of her benefits and chooses what is right for her. I always enjoy the diversity of the population we serve and the staff with whom I work. My granddaughter is now four and a joy. Son number 2, Jim and his wife Linda will be having their first child in early June.

Barbara Petroff Henrick had brain surgery last November. It was diagnosed as multiple myeloma when all the pathology reports were completed. She has been under the care of the doctors at the Cancer Center at the Medical Center in Little Rock, Arkansas. To date she has

received four rounds of chemo and has had the harvesting for the stem cell transplant which she will receive in a few months. Presently, she is in complete remission. She and Frank will be returning to Old Saybrook, CT by the beginning of July. They have received an enormous outpouring of love, caring and prayer from friends and family around the globe. They will meet their latest grandson, Luca when they return to CT. Bobbee and Frank request you pray for them in your own way for their continuing ability to find strength and peace in the road they are now traveling. Their email address is ZnGrace@aol.com.

I received a wonderful Kwanzaa card from Margo Johnson Taylor. She says her son has cancer but is fortunate that it is treatable. Please keep him in prayer. She remarks how difficult nursing and life can be but reminds me that it is important to remember what we truly believe in. Amen, Margo.

I have started to mail the list of classmates to those for which I am not sure if the address is correct. If you do not receive one, please contact me if you want the "list to date".

1959

Patricia Newnham
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Hello all, Happy String! I didn't get too much mail at Christmas. Perhaps it was because we were in Hong Kong for four months while Bob taught at Hong Kong Polytechnic University. We lived in a Kowloon apartment just two blocks from the University and loved the busy city.

Jane Harwell and Carol French Publicover sent greetings but no news.

Ellie Treinas Prevoski writes that she and Steve are still working and enjoy their four grandsons ages 1 – 5, including 3 year old twins.

Margo Johnson Taylor has our prayers and best wishes as her son battles a serious illness. We hope his is improving now.

Lucy Baker Hofer writes that she and Bob visited their son in Oxford in June 2001 when he received his Master's degree. He is now at the University of Oregon working on his PhD in Computer Science. In April 2002, Lucy sent me the newsy letter she received from Phyllis Harvey Smith.

Phyllis had lunch at Carol Harris Wilson's home in Framingham with Ann Halstead Roth, Jane Marie Hendrick, Sheila Murphy Cram, and Melba Cederholm. The gathering was a "memorial" meeting to cherish the life of Judy Freeman Costa who died with a rare colon cancer. She was so full of life! She will be greatly missed.

Carol has recently stopped working at Regis College. She plans to have both knees replaced this spring. Best wishes for a quick recovery.

Melba has had thyroid cancer and a hysterectomy. She retired this year. She and Dana are enjoying their first grandchild, a boy.

Ann is living in Conway NH, but plans a move to Florida. She is retired on disability. Her kidney transplant is working and she is keeping her diabetes under control.

Sheila retired from the ER in one of the local hospitals and does consulting work from home.

Melba would love to hear from Deet-C – does anyone know where she is?

As they say at Walt Disney's --- "That's all folks." Hope to hear from more of you next time.

March 1959

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Alice Wright Burd: 22 Cherry Tree Lane, Shrewsbury, PA. 17361
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Alice and Miles have enjoyed many family events and travel. Miles keeps busy with his consulting business. He lost 43 pounds, and hopefully this will help to keep a new diagnosis of Diabetes under control. Alice remains busy with church, including ministries to senior citizens and children. They celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary in September. Stephen and Janeen were married in October, and 300 family and friends witnessed this event.

Gail Kent Clemmer: 212 Kathleen Way, Glenmore, PA 19343
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Last winter, Gail spent 3 months in Florida. She and George purchased a lot in Palm Coast, and will build there after they sell their PA. Home. They plan to live in Florida most of the time, and at the Delaware Shore house in the warm climate. They attended a Clemmer reunion in CA.- had a fine time seeing family members, whom they had not seen in years. David came east from Seattle, and George's daughter also visited from the west coast. George and Gail are in good health, and looking forward to living in Florida.

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Gene sold her home of 33 years, moved to a condo in January, and retired from the University of Maryland Health Center two weeks later. She lives on the ground floor, with a patio outside the diningroom. She now owns a computer. Dan married June Swords at a Sci-Fi Fantasy wedding (Gene wore butterfly wings). Gene traveled to Georgia in the former USSR, and visited her exchange students. She is planning a trip to Alaska this summer.

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Please note that I made errors in Roz's name and address in the last newsletter. The above is correct. Roz and Don are now retired. Heather is teaching at the University of Florida. Laurel married John Kim, a Molecular Biologist. He is doing Post-doctoral studies at Harvard/ MGH. Laurel plans to finish her Ph.D. this year. Don and Roz are traveling a great deal to Africa, France and New Zealand.

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Elaine is slowly getting into the digital camera/ laptop mode of communication- but she states that she won't be competition for Judie's outstanding photographic production. She and Jim will return to Menton, France for six weeks, and will also travel in Italy while there.

Roberta Fitzgerald: 200 East End Ave. Apt. 16-0, New York, New York 10128
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I talked to Fitzie and healthwise she is doing well. She had a second prophylactic mastectomy. She has been travelling. In October, she visited Kay (Roy) Price and family, and a Yale friend in England. She also met with two cousins when she visited her uncle at Notre Dame, in South Bend Indiana. She also went out there to celebrate his 90th Birthday. She also had some time with Gail Clemmer in N.Y., going to the theatre and museums. She spent time on Cuttyhunk, with Mary Eileen Roy and her two adopted children. She plans to go to Ireland in October for her cousin's wedding.

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Maxine and Ray have been to Hawaii and were in Savannah, Georgia on 9/11- they were merely inconvenienced by delays in getting home. They visited Yosemite with Maxine's sister Elaine and husband David. They enjoy Breyana, their 2 year old Grandbaby. Gail has recovered from extensive back surgery, and is back in her apartment. Gerry is changing jobs, due to a layoff in the recession.

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Ellie is very involved with her grandchildren. She continues to " play nurse at the elementary school-never used so many bandaids".

Ruth Fife Mann: Grand View Farm, 35 Fife Rd. Canterbury, NH 03224
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Judith Palmer Muggia: 14 Dartmouth St., Winchester, MA 01890
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Judie's wonderful pictures show her growing family and chronicle their trips of bicycling through Ireland, and travels to Verona, Italy and France. Judie also went to Ecuador, and met with the recipients of the scholarships, provided by her Galapagos tour business. She is now Executive Director for the International Galapagos Tour Operators Association. Al has retired. They will travel to Ireland to attend theatre this spring. Will was in New York on 9/11-scheduled to be at the WTC. Thankfully, he went to the hotel first. All of the Muggia boys knew someone lost on 9/11. Will and Brook raised $50,000 to aid the families of those lost in the Windows on the World Restaurant.

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Norm had knee surgery and is doing well. They now have 8 grandsons and 4 granddaughters. Ellen and husband Andrew had twin boys in November. Paul and Heidi had a baby girl (Katherine Grace) on April 12th, so there is a little one living at the Roy residence. Mary Eileen and her two adopted children live nearby. All of the children were home for the holidays.

Suzanne Seymour: 1818 Ridge Way, Colorado Springs, CO. 80906

Suzanne will retire in a year, after twenty years in NICU. She plans to sell the big, old house and buy a cute, little house and garden downtown. Daughter Jennifer has been very ill with a seizure disorder, but is recovering slowly. Kevin remains in London, and Sean is in Durango. No grandchildren yet, as they all remain single.

Mary Flannery Caira: 50 Watertown St. # 602, Watertown, Ma 02472
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I continue to work full-time, and this consumes much of my energy. Mike is stable. Travel has been limited, mostly nearby. I did get to Orlando with Chris and Kelly for a few days last fall. Our children and grandchildren are all well and nearby.
Our 45th anniversary is approaching. I will have the dates of Homecoming, 2003 in a few months, and will send you the information when I get it.

1960

Bobbie Rawson Stidham

My class news(most of it) comes via the Christmas cards received in 2001.

Dan and Gene (Weed) Baxter
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Gene and Dan are still active in the business world. Gene loves her job, designing training programs for business people who frequently travel worldwide. Gene has an insulin pump to help keep her diabetes under control. Her Mom, 92 years old, has moved into an assisted living residence nearby.

Kate (Rosenfield) Lotta of Middleton, MA, Mary(Schofield) Gordon, of Marshfield ,MA., and Donna Sweeney) Harrell, of Westford, MA. attended Homecoming at MGH in Sept. These three plus Cynthia (Storey) Mallette, of Pigeon Cove, MA, Ginny (Waugh) LaFleur, of Brockton, MA, Charlotte (Tucker) Gordee, of Peabody, MA, and I enjoyed lunch at Donna's home in the spring. We plan to continue the tradition of getting together annually. If you desire to join us, write or call me. It was fun in spite of all the complaining we did about our various aches and pains.

Nancy (Wheaton) Merson
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Nancy is a traveling nurse anesthetist and spent some time working in Saco, Maine this fall. Nancy's father in Hebron, New Hampshire was her destination on her time off. She opts to return to Honolulu where she also worked this fall.

Ginny (Waugh) LeFleur
51Dodge Rd.
Brockton, MA.
Ginny plans on relocating to the Sacramento area after her husband retires in October. Husband Arthur was in a work related accident in July at which time kidney cancer was diagnosed. The kidney was removed with no signs of mets. Her daughter Susan has received her certificate to be an advanced practice nurse in Psych. Her other daughter, Leslie, is doing cell research in Cambridge, MA.

Linda (Walker) Housman
25 Edson Rd.
Oakham, MA.
Linda and Ken sold their large home to relocate in a small town 15 miles west of Worcester. Oakham has the distinction of not having any stores or gas stations. But, their home plus 7.5 acres will soon have everything that one could want for enjoyment. The first project was the installation of an in-ground swimming pool. After working as an adult nurse practitioner for 41 years, Ken said she adjusted to retirement in 5 years. John and I spent an enjoyable day with them as well as a visit to the Quabbin Reservoir.

I received a sad note from Gayle (King) Lee in the fall. I will quote from Gayle's note. "My life was a dream, four kids, two girls artists and two boys, investment brokers who support the artists. My beloved husband, Johnny, married 40 years suddenly died from kidney cancer on 5-5-01." Gayle would like to be in touch with any of classmates. Her address is 18 Walnut Ave.,Larchmont, New York 10538. Thank you for the wonderful Christmas letter and pictures of the family wedding. I last saw Gayle at Kay Keating's funeral. Gayle was able to support Kay through her illness with breast cancer many years ago.

Pat (Toas) Carden and Chuck visited with me recently. Pat has been making very frequent trips from 5748 Rim Rock Ct. in Boulder, Colorado 80301 to see her mother in Yarmouth, MA. Pat and Chuck are retiring May 31,02 and Pat would like to relocate on the Cape She

says that she is family oriented and most of the family is in MA.,including Samantha and baby and son Brian and family live in MN. Pat says that it is too cold to be there!!!!!

Hope (Truesdell) Thompson and Don, both retired and living the good life at 75 Crestwood Dr. Bethany, CT. 06525. Don ha s given up his sailboat to spend time traveling in their self contained camper. They drove and spent four months in Alaska in 2001. Maybe they are panning for the GOLD. Hope likes swimming, so they are probably somewhere in the "Keys" Florida this winter.

Janice (Santos) Ludwig
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Janice, an adult nurse practitioner, may be retiring in late 2002. Pete has been working as a forester and laboring at a retirement community development in Maine (in his post retirement stage). They own land in Newport, Rhode Island and may be developing it soon.

Donna (Sweeney) Harrill
10 Hidden Valley Road
Westford, MA.
Donna is the consummate caregiver having taken care of many family members post surgery. I understand why, after seeing the beautiful suite of rooms that her home affords. Donna and Jim are gracious hosts and cooks. Oldest son, Scott a U.S. Naval academy graduate has been reassigned to Washington D.C. after active duty and 13 years flying FA/18's He has flown numerous missions over Afghanistan. Ed, the 2nd son is a commercial pilot with COMAIR, a Delta Connection. Chuck drives 18-wheelers long distance for a private trucking company.

Cynthia (Storey) Mattette
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Cynthia is doing well. Harold retired after many years working for Hewlett-Packard Co. They have a nice sailboat moored in Georgetown, Maine. Daughter, Jennifer is married.

And now for me!!!
Bobbie(Rawson)Stidham and John moved to a retirement community called Oak Point after 37 years in Pembroke. We love our new pre-manufactured home at 1903 Oak Point Drive. Middleton, MA 02346 and all the functions that the community offers. Come see us. We spend six months in Florida at 1191 at S.W. Lake Circle, Boynton Beach, FL. 33426 unit 102

Louise (Lynch) McDonald
Bobby certainly hears from a lot of her classmates, where are the rest?
No one has been in touch with me since the reunion and so I will bore you with *my* news. Jerry and I just returned from a glorious two-week vacation in France. The first week we spent in Paris seeing all the tourist sights as well as a day trip to Versailles. We spent the week searching out the top ten tourist sites, which included the Arc de Triomphe, Notre Dame, the Louvre, Musee D'Orsay , Les Invalides, Sacre Couer. We had a fine samplingl of French bistro foods and of course, the wines. The second week, we changed venue for a barge trip (think Cleopatra not garbage) on the Loire Canal. This was all capped by an early morning balloon ascension, which was just breathtaking.
We spent the days visiting Chateaus and quaint villages and the evenings enjoying gourmet foods prepared by the Australian chef on board the "Bon Vivant", and drinking the marvelous wines of the region. A great trip and if anyone is interested in a barge trip you can reach me

at: 297 Thicket Street, South Weymouth,MA.02190 or at MB3502@aol.com or you can call me with your news at 781-337-8397

I sure hope we have some new from more of our classmates for the next edition.

1965

A new rep has been found for the class of September 1965: Flora (Trudy) McDougall McLaughlin, 491 Mount Blue Street, Norwell, MA 02061. Please send her your news.

Sharon Kane Thomas
2881 Brigadoon Ln
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The events of Sept 11, 2001 have made many of us feel a more urgent need to connect with people from the past and to gather them close.

Dottie Krueger was one of those precious people to me. Several years ago we reconnected and carried on as though the 30+ since we were suite mates had been no more than a few hours. We have done our "life thing", are settled and content. Our visits are such a pleasure and we communicate frequently.

If anyone is thinking of getting in touch with an old friend or classmate, stop thinking about it and "DO IT"! I guarantee you will be very, very glad you did it.

I am hoping to see many of our classmates at future reunions and especially our 40th.

1966

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Hello to all,
I'm way behind in sending updates and corrections. The holidays and life in general intruded. I have included copies of emails I received from Lee Wirts and Lucy Cole that have updates on what they are up to. I would be nice to get more updates on what people are doing and photos as well if you have them. I know some of us got a chance to catch up during the reunion but those who weren't there but are on this list haven't had that same opportunity. Let's take advantage of all this instant technology. It would be fun to use this list as more than just a database.

I was sorry not to get to our 35th. reunion --- the timing wasn't good this year, unfortunately. Would you please correct my addresses on the list and add my email address. It was almost listed correctly, but not quite. Since I now have two addresses, it can be confusing. My New York (during the usual school year) address is : 150 Columbus Ave. Apt. 20-D, Ny, Ny 10023 --- email -- lesliebrereton@aol.com. My home in PA. is: R.D. #3, Sugarbush Rd.,

Dalton, Pa. 18414. I am in PA. from mid-May until late Aug. and for holidays. I probably have the best of both worlds right now. I am studying piano here in NYC while also taking three classes at Juilliard, but not for any degree --- just for pure pleasure with no pressure! I have "job" at the Met Opera as a backstage tour guide, which I love! Hardy is still practicing in Scranton, Pa. but has slowed down to no weekend call and Friday PM's off --- he prefers to come into the city on most weekends. I have never really liked living in Scranton --- too small and too provincial. Our kids are in Phila. and Boston. It has worked out well for 4 years now. New York has so much energy and excitement and culture that we never seem to run out of new ideas!! Thanks again and take care. Hope to see you in Boston sometime.
Lee

What an awesome surprise to receive those reuion pix in the mail! I'm no longer in nursing...I'm a Children's Librarian now. I wonder how many of our class have changed careers over the years...? Anyway, I'd love to have the rest of the pictures and all, so I'm sending you my e-dress, also phone numbers:
luciart@hotmail.com
(603)634-1172 H
(603)472-2300 W
Thanks so much for doing this! I was amazed at how many faces I recognized...really brought back memories!
Luci (Cole) Albertson

CORRECTIONS:

Pat (Souza) Balestra- email should be psb3@earthlink.net
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1973

Marci Roberts Christensen died on November 11th. She had been employed at the MGH since 1976 in the Medical Intensive Care Unit and then as a research and staff nurse in the Gastroenterology/Endoscopy Unit. A memorial service was held at the MGH Chapel on November 16th.

1978

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May 1st is my second year anniversary of owning OHC. I can not believe how many fantastic and dedicated nurses I have had the pleasure to work with. I feel truly blessed to be surrounded by such wonderful people. I love what I do and that is because of the people I deal with. I went back to school to Northern Essex Community College for an Associate Degree in Liberal Arts, it took me 10 years to complete the 2 year program but I did it only for myself.

I have been married for 22 years to my friend, Paul. He does tele-communications and was just laid off from Arthur D Little after 14 years. He has always helped out with the business but will be doing more so if a guy answers the phone, don't hang up.

My son Joey is 12. He is in the 6th grade. He is a nice kid and had a great sense of humor and a great imagination. Teri turned 4; she has lots of energy and a mind of her own. She keeps me hoping and laughing. Chester is our mellow yellow lab, he is great company.

Matching Gifts

Today more companies are letting employees determine where their charitable donation dollars are spent. This is done through a "Matching Gift" program. The major criteria most corporations have to determine if donations can be matched is that the donation is to a designated 501c-3 non-profit organization. The company also required that the organization receiving the funds fill out their matching gift form and return it with the proper tax information for their records.

If the company you work for offers a "Matching Gift" program, remember your donations to the Alumnae Association are probably eligible. Check your company policy today. Then when you send your donation, send us the company form for matching funds and we will do the rest. Help the scholarship funds grow by doubling your donation through the Matching Gift program where you work.

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Massachusetts General Hospital Nurses Alumnae Association, Inc.
Application for the Felicia Kulig Fullerton or Sally Johnson Scholarship

General Requirements:

1. Active member of the Alumnae Association (paid up dues for 2 years prior to applying **and** for the duration of the scholarship).
2. Application must be received preferably by May 1st or prior to the course of study.
3. Scholarship to be returned if another full tuition grant is awarded.
4. Preference will be given if the degree pursued is in Nursing.
5. A copy of the course registration must be submitted before the check will be released.
6. At the end of the semester, passing grades must be submitted showing the completion of course.

Name of Applicant_____
(last) (first) (middle/maiden)

Present Address _____

Telephone Number/Email Address _____

Permanent Address (if different from above)_____

Date of Graduation from MGH or IHP _____ State currently registered in_____

How long have you been an active member in the Alumnae?_____

Have you applied for or received any other scholarship assistance?_____

If so, please give sources, amounts and date received_____

Which college/university do you plan to attend?_____

Tuition needed for course or semester_____credits_____

Attending full or part time?_____total credits earned to date_____

Any portion of the course cost reimbursed by your employer?_____

When do you anticipate receiving your degree?_____

What degree are you working towards in Nursing?_____other field?_____

What are your future plans in Nursing?_____

Education other than MGH/IHP

College/University	Address	Dates Attended	Credits/Degrees

Professional Experience since Graduation from MGH/IHP: Include position, full or part time, agency and dates. Attach a separate sheet if needed.

I have read the statements in this application and declare that to the best of my knowledge, they are correct.

Signature _____ **Date**_____

Public Law 9338 makes it necessary to have a signature in order to look at your school records. Signing of this application gives the committee chairperson permission to look at your MGH or IHP school records, if necessary. Rev/2002

Annabella McCrae Loan Fund Application

The Loan fund is available to active members of the Alumnae Association to aid in further education in the field of nursing. A sum not to exceed $8,000 may be borrowed per lifetime. Repayments are made on a monthly installment plan, due on the 10th of each month, commencing three months after completion of the program. Full details of the loan fund is available from the Alumnae Office.

Name of Applicant: _____ _____ _____
(last) (first) (middle/maiden)

Present Address: _____
(number and street)

_____ _____ _____
(city) (state) (zip)

Telephone Number: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Date of Graduation from MGH _____ State in which you are currently registered _____
How long have you been an active member in The Alumnae? _____
Have you applied for or received other scholarship assistance? _____
If so, please give sources, amounts and date received _____
What College/University are you planning to attend? _____
Cost of course _____ Credits _____
What portion of the cost of the course is reimbursed by your employer? _____
When do you anticipate receiving your degree? _____
Will your degree be in nursing? ____ If not, in what? _____
What degree are you working toward _____
What are your future plans in nursing? _____

Education Other than MGH Diploma: Include name of College/University, address, dates attended, and credits/degrees. Attach separate sheet if needed.

Professional Experience Since Graduation from MGH: Include position, full or part time, agency, and dates. Attach separate sheet if needed.

I have read the statements in this application and declare that to the best of my knowledge, they are correct.

_____ _____
(signature of applicant) (date)

Public Law 93383 makes it necessary to have a signature in order to look at your school record. Signing of this application gives the committee chairman permission to look at your MGH school of nursing record, if necessary.

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Massachusetts General Hospital
Nurses' Alumnae Association

2002

Homecoming

Saturday September 28

Annual Meeting of the Association

Program
Nursing Update From the MGH

and the

Annual Homecoming Luncheon

Saturday September 28th

Radisson Hotel Boston

8 AM	Registration
9:00	Annual Business Meeting of the Association
10:00	Program *Nursing Update from the MGH* Jeannette Ives Erickson Senior Vice President Patient Care Services, MGH
12 noon	Reunion Class photos and cocktails
1:00	Annual Homecoming Luncheon
2:30	Transport to the Charlestown Navy Yard to tour the new home of the IHP and have dessert – transport will return you to the hotel or to the MGH by approximately 3:30

Nursing:
A Clinical Update

Friday September 27, 2002
Mass General Hospital
O'Keefe Auditorium

Agenda

8 AM Registration and coffee
8:30 Opening Remarks
8:45 Implications of Genetics in Healthcare – Cancer Focus
Kristen Niendorf, MS, CGC
Genetic Counselor, Hematorlogy/Oncology Unit, MGH
10:00 Break
10:15 Menopause: An Overview with Case Study Presentation
Jan Shifren, MD
The Vincent Obstetrics and Gynecology Service, MGH
11:30 A Foot in Two Worlds: Nurses' Personal and Professional Experiences of Cancer Survivorship
Carol Picard Ph.D., RN
Faculty MGH IHP
12:45 Lunch
2:00 Therapeutic Touch: An Introduction to the Intervention
Amanda Coakely, Ph.D., RN
Administration and Support Services, Department of Nursing, MGH
3:15 Weight Loss: An Overview with Case Study Presentation
Lee Kaplan MD, Ph.D.
Associate Chief of Research, MGH GI Unit, and Director Weight Center, MGH
4:30 Closing Remarks and Evaluation

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Who should attend: This general clinical update presented by experts in their fields will broaden the current clinical expertise of practitioners and those no longer active in the field that want to stay current with the latest trends in nursing practice.

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More Details will be in the next edition of "Beyond the Cap"

But space is limited so reserve your space early!

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_____ Both Friday and Saturday programs $70 for MGH Alumnae Members

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